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200.1156PCT

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

International application No.	International filing date (day/month/year)	Priority date (day/month/year)
PCT/US03/25601	15 August 2003 (15.08.2003)	15 August 2002 (15.08.2002)

Applicant

EURO-CELTIQUE S.A.

1. The applicant is hereby notified that this International Preliminary Examining Authority transmits herewith the international preliminary examination report and its annexes, if any, established on the international application.
2. A copy of the report and its annexes, if any, is being transmitted to the International Bureau for communication to all the elected Offices.
3. Where required by any of the elected Offices, the International Bureau will prepare an English translation of the report (but not of any annexes) and will transmit such translation to those Offices.
4. REMINDER

The applicant must enter the national phase before each elected Office by performing certain acts (filing translations and paying national fees) within 30 months from the priority date (or later in some Offices)(Article 39(1))(see also the reminder sent by the International Bureau with Form PCT/IB/301).

Where a translation of the international application must be furnished to an elected Office, that translation must contain a translation of any annexes to the international preliminary examination report. It is the applicant's responsibility to prepare and furnish such translation directly to each elected Office concerned.

For further details on the applicable time limits and requirements of the elected Offices, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

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## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 200.1156PCT	FOR FURTHER ACTION		See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416)
International application No. PCT/US03/25601	International filing date (day/month/year) 15 August 2003 (15.08.2003)	Priority date (day/month/year) 15 August 2002 (15.08.2002)	
International Patent Classification (IPC) or national classification and IPC IPC(7): A61K 9/14, 9/16 and US Cl.: 424/489, 490			
Applicant EURO-CELTIQUE S.A.			

1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 7 sheets, including this cover sheet.

This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).

These annexes consist of a total of    sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I  Basis of the report
- II  Priority
- III  Non-establishment of report with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV  Lack of unity of invention
- V  Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI  Certain documents cited
- VII  Certain defects in the international application
- VIII  Certain observations on the international application

Date of submission of the demand 26 February 2004 (26.02.2004)	Date of completion of this report 21 April 2004 (21.04.2004)
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## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

International application No.

PCT/US03/25601

**I. Basis of the report**

## 1. With regard to the elements of the international application:\*

the international application as originally filed.

the description:  
pages 1-30 as originally filed  
pages NONE, filed with the demand  
pages NONE, filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

the claims:  
pages 31-36, as originally filed  
pages NONE, as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19  
pages NONE, filed with the demand  
pages NONE, filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

the drawings:  
pages NONE, as originally filed  
pages NONE, filed with the demand  
pages NONE, filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

the sequence listing part of the description:  
pages NONE, as originally filed  
pages NONE, filed with the demand  
pages NONE, filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2. With regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language \_\_\_\_\_ which is:

the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).

the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).

the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rules 55.2 and/or 55.3).

## 3. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

contained in the international application in printed form.

filed together with the international application in computer readable form.

furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.

furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.

The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.

The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.

4.  The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

the description, pages NONE

the claims, Nos. NONE

the drawings, sheets/fig NONE

5.  This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).\*\*

\* Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17).

\*\* Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.

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**III. Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability**

1. The question whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non-obvious), or to be industrially applicable have not been and will not be examined in respect of:

the entire international application,  
 claims Nos. Claims 26 and 27 are not listed in the application.

because:

the said international application, or the said claim Nos. \_\_\_\_\_ relate to the following subject matter which does not require international preliminary examination (*specify*):

  

the description, claims or drawings (*indicate particular elements below*) or said claims Nos. \_\_\_\_\_ are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed (*specify*):

  

the claims, or said claims Nos. \_\_\_\_\_ are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed.

no international search report has been established for said claims Nos. 26 and 27

2. A meaningful international preliminary examination cannot be carried out due to the failure of the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing to comply with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions:

the written form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.  
 the computer readable form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.

## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

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PCT/US03/25601**V. Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement****1. STATEMENT**

Novelty (N)	Claims <u>1-25 and 28-52</u>	YES
	Claims <u>NONE</u>	NO
Inventive Step (IS)	Claims <u>1-25 and 28-52</u>	YES
	Claims <u>NONE</u>	NO
Industrial Applicability (IA)	Claims <u>1-25 and 28-52</u>	YES
	Claims <u>NONE</u>	NO

**2. CITATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS**

Claims 1-25 and 28-52 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(2)-(3), because the prior art does not teach or fairly suggest a pharmaceutical formulation comprised of an opioid antagonist substrate wherein the substrate is coated with a diffusion barrier coating comprised of an anionic polymer. The substrate is further coated to have stabilizing effective amounts of a dual coating comprised of the diffusion barrier coating and a hydrophobic material such that the hydrophobic material in combination with the anionic polymer enables controlled release and sequestration of the opioid antagonist.

Claims 1-25 and 28-52 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4), and thus have industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry. The formulation is useful in medicine because by being in a stable controlled release form it increases patient compliance and provides improved efficacy.

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## NOTE OF INFORMAL COMMUNICATION WITH THE APPLICANT

(PCT Rule 66.6)

International application No.	Applicant's or agent's file reference	Date of informal communication (day/month/year)
PCT/US03/25601	200.1156PCT	07 June 2004 (07.06.2004)
Applicant EURO-CELTIQUE S.A.		

<u>Communication</u>	<u>Participants</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Identity checked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> authorization checked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> personally known
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by telephone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant: EURO-CELTIQUE S.A.			
<input type="checkbox"/> personal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agent: Clifford M. Davidson			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner(s): James M Spear			

Summary of communication:

Applicant's agent Mr. Davidson has been informed that the claims are misnumbered. Claims 26 and 27 are not in this application. The International Preliminary Examination Report has been completed and will be mailed.

An extension of time limit is granted (Form PCT/IPEA/427).

A copy of this note is being sent to the applicant with Form PCT/IPEA/429.

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